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SUBJECT: DEMARCHE ON UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY THIRD COMMITTEE
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Classified By: POLCOUNS CHARLES V. BARCLAY FOR REASONS 1.4 (B) AND (D).

¶1. (C) On September 9, PolOff delivered reftel demarche to Deputy Minister Counselor for the General Directorate of Human Rights Reyna Torres Mendivil at the Foreign Secretariat (SRE), underscoring (per reftel points) the USG's commitment to multilateral efforts to protect and promote human rights and urging close cooperation during the upcoming Third Committee session. Torres told Poloff that Mexico would be willing to work bilaterally with the USG to present resolutions on human rights provided the SRE could obtain draft copies of the resolutions in advance of the upcoming meeting. Despite prompting, she did not mention any specific resolutions that the GOM would be willing to co-sponsor with the USG. Torres, however, advised that the GOM would again put forth three resolutions during the upcoming Third Committee session regarding migrant rights, terrorism and human rights, and protecting the rights of individuals with disabilities. Although the GOM had no plans to submit a resolution regarding the death penalty, Torres warned that Mexican representatives would make every effort to bring the issue to the table.

¶2. (C) Torres inquired about the USG's position regarding a resolution on the human rights of migrants and also asked if and when the USG would join the UN Human Rights Committee, mentioning USG involvement would likely give more structure to the Committee. PolOff agreed to pass all inquiries to the appropriate authorities in Washington for consideration. Visit Mexico City's Classified Web Site at <http://www.state.sgov.gov/p/wha/mexicocity> and the North American Partnership Blog at <http://www.intelink.gov/communities/state/nap> / GARZA